

OBJECTIVE 3: DIRECTION AND CONTROL

OBJECTIVE

Demonstrate the capability to direct and control emergency operations.

INTENT

This objective is derived from NUREG-0654 which provides that OROs should have the capability to control their overall response to an emergency. (See evaluation criteria from Planning Standards A. and N.) This objective should be accomplished by demonstration of direction and control authority by ORO leaders, agencies, departments, or field teams, as designated in the response plan.

DEMONSTRATION CRITERIA

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CRITERION

A.1.d.,2.a.,b.

- 1. Designated personnel with leadership roles for the ORO provide direction and control to that part of the overall response effort for which they are responsible.**

Explanation

Responsible OROs should demonstrate the use of clear chains of command. OROs should demonstrate leadership and management capabilities of their organizations. OROs should be able to demonstrate capabilities related to:

- o issuance of instructions to staff
- o provision of directions on adherence to the plan
- o conduct of staff meetings and briefings
- o dissemination of information
- o resolution of conflicts
- o provision of decision making leadership

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- o consultation with staff
- o provision and clarification of needed authorities for emergency action,
- o direction of coordination with other OROs and
- o authorization of implementation of protective action recommendations

Extent of Play

Under this criterion, all activities associated with direction and control should be performed as they would be in an actual emergency. This objective should be demonstrated by all participating organizations at activated duty stations, including facilities, staging areas, and field assignment locations.

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N.1.a.

2. All activities described in the demonstration criteria for this objective are carried out in accordance with the plan, unless deviations are provided for in the extent-of-play agreement.

Explanation

Responsible OROs should demonstrate the capability to follow policies, implement procedures, and utilize equipment and facilities contained in the plans and procedures. OROs should demonstrate that they can follow sequences outlined in the various procedures and perform specified activities, as necessary.

Extent of Play

Under this criterion, all activities should be carried out as specified in the plan, unless deviation from the plan is provided for in the extent-of-play agreement.

CLARIFICATION OF TERMS

Direction and control refers to the management of emergency functions within a particular context (e.g., emergency operations center) through leadership and use of authority.